#### **BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS**

The regular meeting of the Board of Fire Engineers was held Sept. 28, 2010. In attendance: Chief Al Galinelli, Robert Miner, James Sousa, Christopher Stanley, Norman Blank, and Carolyn O¡Brien. Also: Norman Guertin, Steve Silva, and Robert Horton. Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

R. Miner made motion, with second by N. Blank, to accept minutes from previous meeting as submitted. Motion unanimously approved.

Correspondence: Individual company correspondence distributed.

### **Old Business:**

"« Hose Testing ¡V Eng. 5 to be completed within next two weeks; all others are done.

"« Fire Prevention Week ¡V List of dates distributed; anyone who can help should let the Chief know.

"« ID¡ls ¡V Scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 12th and Wednesday, Oct. 13th, 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Chief¡ls office both days.

#### **New Business:**

"« SCBA fit test ¡V Oct. 16th ¡V 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. for new members and anyone else needing a mask.

"« Dry hydrant installed at Warren Storage. Still need to have a

discharge pipe constructed to go back into the tank; possible get Blount to see if they can do it.

- "« Eng. 3 to go to the Grange for fire prevention on Oct. 15th at 6:30 p.m.
- "« Chief needs to know who wants call notifications sent to their cell phones, who already has it, and who wants it removed if they have it. He also needs to know any problems encountered by those who already have it. Chief reminded everyone only the Chief can authorize the service.
- "« Eng. 5 to go to Swansea on Sunday, Oct. 3rd for Fire Prevention Week. Need to be at Swansea Station 1 by 11:30 a.m.
- "« Sept. 29th ¡V Flu shots to be given at fire headquarters from 6:30-10:00 p.m. Anyone wanting the shot must register with Chief¡ls office.
- "« Wake for Jim Dwyer on Sept. 29th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Smithils Funeral Home.
- "« Congratulations to Chris Stanley on the birth of a daughter.
- "« R. Horton wants to know if a cover can be added over the pit at the pavilion to protect it from the weather, since it is used by so many.

## **Station Reports:**

- "« Chief reminded everyone colder weather is coming, and to keep the doors closed and to shut off lights when leaving.
- "« Chief stated electric, heat, and water bills have been drastically increasing again for the stations, and he reminded everyone to be more conservative.

- "« N. Guertin suggested changing the light bar on Hazards to LED; this would help save the alternator.
- "« Sta. 3 ¡V Window ordered for truck from Bulldog.
- "« Sta. 6 ¡V Fagan Door to adjust door. Chief spoke with W. Camp re: boat ramp at Chace Ave. and the Point. Harbor Master & C. Wells trying to get grant for one. Chief said Eng. 6 members can send letter requesting an update.
- "« Sta. 5 ¡V Side door rotting; roof has leak.
- "« Chief will be putting dimmers on trucks for battery charging to avoid frying the LifePaks. Chief has the Lucas for CPR to be put on Res. 1; cost \$13,000. He has apprx. \$14-15,000 left in account to be used for anything else need on the new truck, or it will be returned to the town. Computers on rescues for patient tracking were donated by the state. Miriam Hospital is donating two monitors for the trucks.

# **Training:**

- "« EMT-recertification ¡V Steve Asselin will run a class here beginning Oct. 13th. Chief will need a copy of everyone; supdated recertification no matter where they took the class once they receive it for the Chief; srecords.
- "« N. Blank wants to have Chief purchase another laptop computer for the training room. This is due to the fact there are often more than one class being conducted at one time in different locations. Chief to look into.
- "« FF I class ¡V To be run in-house. Attendees will not be able to challenge the state exam since our instructors will not all be state certified.

There being no further business to discuss, R. Martin made motion, with second by N. Blank, to adjourn. Motion unanimously approved; meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.